



NEWS RELEASE

# The Hartford Appoints Donna James To Its Board Of Directors

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HARTFORD, Conn.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- **The Hartford** today announced the appointment of Donna James to the company's board of directors, effective Feb. 17, 2021. She will serve on the board's Finance, Investment and Risk Management Committee.

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Donna James (Photo: Business Wire)

"Donna brings extensive insurance-industry experience in

a range of functions, including accounting, investing, operations, treasury and human resources," said The Hartford's Chairman and CEO Christopher Swift. "She also served as an advisor to former President Obama and Congress on the economic growth and development of women business-owners. We look forward to having her join the board as we focus on product and innovation, underwriting expertise and the customer experience, as well as attracting and retaining the talent needed for long-term success."

James, 63, is president and CEO of Lardon & Associates, a business-advisory firm specializing in corporate governance, new business development, strategy, and financial and risk management. She had a 25-year career with Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company, culminating in the role of president of strategic investments. Prior to that, she held a variety of positions, including chief administrative officer, chief human resources officer, assistant

to the CEO and director of operations and treasury services. James is a certified public accountant (non-practicing) and began her career as an auditor with Coopers & Lybrand LLP.

President Obama appointed James in October 2010 to be chairwoman of the National Women's Business Council, a non-partisan advisory council to the president, Congress and the Small Business Administration. She held the position until June 2013.

James earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University. James also serves on the boards of Boston Scientific Corporation and L Brands, Inc.

## About The Hartford

The Hartford is a leader in property and casualty insurance, group benefits and mutual funds. With more than 200 years of expertise, The Hartford is widely recognized for its service excellence, sustainability practices, trust and integrity. More information on the company and its financial performance is available at <https://www.thehartford.com>. Follow us on Twitter at [@TheHartford\\_PR](https://twitter.com/TheHartford_PR).

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